A.—**Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA** (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—(*a*) to (*d*) Statement appended below.

.....	Bangalore South and North		Anekal		Hosakote		Chennapatna		Ramanagaram	
	Major	Minor	Major	Minor	Majo	Minor	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
The number of Major and Minor Tanks in Bangalore District,	69	277	45	176	54	131	28	57	5	100
The number of tanks taken up for restoration.	1	7	1	17	1	10	1	...	...	...
The number of tanks asked for restoration.	1	14	1	27	1	19	1	7	5	5

.....	Magadi		Nelamangala		Kankanhalli		Doddballapur		Devanahalli	
	Major	Minor	Major	Minor	Major	Minor	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
The number of Major and Minor Tanks in Bangalore District.	22	230	45	182	11	171	50	101	31	81
The number of tanks taken up for restoration.	2	27	...	4	...	...	...	3	1	1
The number of tanks asked for restoration.	2	41	...	15	..	12	...	6	1	7

The delay in taking up the works is generally experienced due to (*i*) instance of the countersignature of the Deputy Commissioner, (*ii*) the procurement of cement, (*iii*) calling up tenders or quotations, etc., and (*iv*) Unfavourable seasonal conditions.

Shimoga Sandalwood Oil Factory.

Q.—**307. Sri H. S. RUDRAPPA** (Honnali).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) from how long the Sandalwood Oil Factory at Shimoga is closed ;

(*b*) the reasons for the closure of the above factory ;

(*c*) what the cost price of the sandalwood oil was in Shimoga Sandalwood Oil Factory ;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that the position of sandalwood in Mysore District and round about places is deteriorating ?

A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Industries).—

(*a*) The operations of the factory were temporarily suspended from the third week of October 1951. The factory resumed operations on 2nd June 1952.

(*b*) Owing to the dullness of the sandal oil market and the fall in demand and the large accumulation of stocks.

(c) Being a commercial concern, the information is treated as confidential.

(*d*) No.

Loans and Grants to Harijans under the Cottage Industries Scheme.

Q.—**377. Sri NARAYANAPPA** (Chintamani—Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of applicants who have received assistance under the

Cottage Industries Scheme for the past five years ;

(*b*) the amount allotted for this scheme ;

(c) out of this (i) the amount of grant and (ii) the amount of loan ;

(*d*) the number of Harijans out of the applicants for the abovementioned grants or loans ; the number of Harijan applicants who have received assistance ; (i) the amount of grants and (ii) the amount of loans ?

A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Industries).—

(*a*) 23.

(*b*)

Year	*Allotment*
	Rs.
1947-48 ...	2,500
1948-49 ...	5,000
1949-50 ...	5,000
1950-51 ...	5,000
1951-52 ...	3,05,000

(c) All are loans.

(*d*) This information cannot be furnished, as no column has been provided in the Loan Application Form to indicate the community to which the applicant belongs.

Construction of Dwelling Quarters for Labourers and Central assistance.

Q.—**448. Sri V. R. NAIDU** (Malleswaram).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount granted by the Central Government for the construction of dwelling quarters for the labourers in our State ;

(*b*) out of that amount, how many houses have been constructed and the places where they have been constructed?

A.—**Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO** (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) Rupees 20 lakhs.

(*b*) None as yet.

Amelioration of condition of Depressed Classes.

Q.—**501. Sri H. K. SIDDAIYA** (Belur—Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

Their policy to ameliorate the condition of the Depressed Classes in the State so as to bring them up to the level of other people economically, socially, and educationally within the period of ten years from the date of the commencement of the Constitution ?

A.—**Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA** (Chief Minister).—

Even before the coming into effect of the Constitution of India, the Government of Mysore sanctioned a scheme for the amelioration of the condition of Depressed Class people in the State. Funds are being provided year by year in the State Budget to implement this scheme Depressed Class Amelioration grants are at present being spent only for the acquisition of sites for the formation of Depressed Class colonies and extensions and for construction of houses. A set of rules and procedure regarding the grant of subventions and house building materials of the Depressed Classes for the construction of houses has been framed. To promote the educational advancement of the Depressed Classes, several concessio s have been extended to them by the Education Department by the grant of scholarships and running free Government Boarding Homes and exemption from payment of examination fees.

To promote the economic advancement of Depressed Classes, lands are being granted to landless Depressed Class applicants at concessional rates as provided under the Mysore Land Revenue Rules by the Revenue Department.